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"A man can be himself only so long as he is alone; and if he does not love solitude, he will not love freedom; for it is only when he is alone that he is really free."

Arthur Schopenhauer

Three bars closed

By Michelle Berens
Monarch Staff Writer

The two month investigation by the Pasco County Sheriff's Office and the State Alcoholic Beverage and Tobacco Task Force, on the selling of illegal drugs in Pasco County bars, has become a success in the temporary suspending of several liquor licenses and the arresting of customers. Because people were arrested for the selling, possession and delivery of marijuana, crack, cocaine and controlled substances such as amphetamines, three bars have been shut down.

The bars that received temporary suspended licenses were closed. These include Sol's Place, located outside of Dade City, the Quaker Bar in Dade City and the Crystal in Zephyrhills. The bar owners were allowed to appeal the suspensions.

Other than the owner of Club 39 in Zephyrhills, once a Sheriff's Office Deputy, who was charged with selling and possess-

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Thanksgiving baskets for area poor

By Heidi Alvarado
Monarch Staff Writer

Nov. 13-15, Campus Ministry, along with other supportive organizations, will be delivering Thanksgiving baskets to the needy people living in the Dade City area. Mass was held Tues., Nov. 13, at 4:15 p.m., to bless those who live in poverty and to show concern. Baskets were due on Mon., Nov. 12, from all volunteered organizations.

The organizations work through a social service agency, so that through them, everybody will receive something. Campus Ministry has been collecting hand drawn road maps so that the volunteer students may deliver the baskets personally. Sister Geraldine Warthling, O.S.F., vice president to the President for Campus Ministry, stated, while waving her arms in the air, that some homes have no addresses. Many of the homes are in back roads where they may be hard to find. The volunteers are instructed to travel in groups of three for precaution.

The baskets are filled with can foods and other types of foods that can be well preserved. Sister Geraldine hopes to buy cartons of wholesome Grade A milk for the children. Meat is also a hopeful donation. The baskets are small, so in turn some organizations ended up with two.

"The importance is not the cans dropped in the baskets, but the delivery of them. The students' levels of consciousness of poverty are brought to light. Students have never touched poverty so close, as they do when they deliver those baskets. The students believe that they are the saviors; in fact, they are the ones to be saved," said Sister Geraldine. She also stated that Campus Ministry is thankful for those who help to support this cause.

Honorary doctorate granted to Chittister

By William Quigley
Editor

Friday Nov, 6, 1990 Saint Leo College granted an honorary Doctorate to Sister Joan Chittister. O.S.B.

In a special mass and convocation the college conveyed this high honor to a women who has lead the Alliance for International Monasticism a group dedicated to strengthening the communications between the more than 200 Benedictine and Cistercian com-

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Father Leo blesses the Thanksgiving basket during a ceremony in November. Photo by Jay Maton

Board of Trustees still secretive

By William Quigley
Editor

The clock has just struck 13, and the tele-screen is blabbing on about academic achievements, when the face of the Big Brother Board of Trustees appears on the screen. I stand, starring in wonder at the powerful men, wondering who they are, knowing that in my world they control everything. Having never met, or even seen any of these imposing imperial leaders, I none-the-less sit in awe of these men. They do not know who I am, yet every rolling they make will change my world of 1984. However, I must stop thinking about these unattainable men, and what they do. The thought-police might break down my door any minute.

How we perceive things in this world is directly related to the first hand knowledge we have of the world. When it comes to the Board of Trustees for Saint Leo College the above scenario is pretty close to the what many students feel about the Board. The reality of what the Board does is lost when it refuses to allow student access to its proceedings, and what it is replaced by is the stenotype.

It was with these stenotypes intact that the Board of Trustees made yet another stop at Saint Leo College. As usual most students did not even notice. What the students will notice is the minor and major changes that this Board brings to Saint Leo College. It is because of these changes that the students should have every possible access, and representation in the meetings held by this group. The reality is that the Board does not have a single student sitting on it. Not a single student is there to voice the student side. This board has little if any contact with the students. The Board exits to make policy to effect the one group that is most affected by the board's decrees; the students of Saint Leo College and it is this group that is without any form of self-representation.

Two hundred years ago this kind of treatment in America led to our Revolution, the term created then to express the colonial anger, was "Taxation without Representation." The same term can be applied at Saint Leo College today with only a slight change; "Government without Representation." The fact of the matter is that we the students of Saint Leo College deserve the right to sit in when vital decisions are made. It is understandable that there should be parts of the Board's meetings that should be closed, however, not entire meetings. When the Board is making policy that effects the students, then the students should have the right to be represented.

What makes matters even worse is that the Board does not mingle with the students. The Board does not have a clue as to what student concerns are. By simply having a type of "Town Meeting" where the students can ask questions about school policy, and what the Board sees as the future of Saint Leo College the Board would begin to understand what concerns the students. Saint Leo College students are adults, and is it time that the Board treat the students as such. There is a truly wonderful possibility on this campus for direct communications between the students and the Board, but the Board is wasting this valuable possibility.

I am not calling for students to make up the majority of seats on the Board, what I am asking for is that there be a student present at the meetings so the student point of view can be heard. I also ask that the Board members get to know the students, and learn of what concerns the students of this college.

The perception on this campus of the Board is very close to the scenario described in the first paragraph. In order to correct this wrong perception, it is time that the Board stops meeting behind closed doors, and let the students of Saint Leo speak their minds and voice their opinions.

President's Corner

By Msgr. Frank M. Mouch
President, Saint Leo College

Tom Duffy, carrying out his responsibilities as president of Student Government Association, recently addressed to me a concern of the students. It has to do with the Board of Trustees and their influence upon Saint Leo College. The underlying supposition is these individuals, largely unknown to the student body, come to campus four times a year to make policy and decisions affecting our lives, without knowing much about what goes on here. Given that perception, I take this opportunity to explain the function of the trustees.

First of all, the Board owns the school. However, it does so as trustees for the larger society served by the college. Their responsibility is to represent the interests of society as a whole and give direction to the institution, so that both the students are served in their educational goals and society is served by those goals being in line with what society needs for its life and development. Their first job, then, is to see what goals of society SLC can and should meet effectively, given the resources it has.

Secondly, the Board has the ultimate responsibility to see that the college advertises what it is and what it can do, so that students who come here will benefit from its programs and campus environment. Finally, the trustees evaluate the use of the institution's resources to see that the programs, financial resources, and physical facilities are accomplishing what has been determined to be in the best interest of the students and society at large.

So much for philosophy. The real crunch comes in the carrying out of these responsibilities and this is where the concern of the students applies. Do the trustees know of the students' thoughts, desires and conditions of life? And, if so, how?

The Board operates through a system of committees which focus upon different aspects of the institution. Directing their study and discussion most immediately with student issues are the Committee on Student Affairs, for which Robert Ruday, Vice President of Student Affairs serves as liaison and the Academic Affairs Committee, with Dr. Bernard Parker, Vice President of Academic Affairs in the same function. However, the Business Affairs Committee looks hard at such matters as tuition and other costs to the students, and the Buildings and Grounds Committee has been very conscious of the residence hall conditions, as well as the classroom situation. Jean DeMatteo, Director of Finance and Accounting and John Weicherding, Vice President of Operations respectively work with these committees.

In making policies and decisions the Board is quite conscious that good action on its part begins with factual data from the day-to-day situation of the college. Thus, it receives information through the liaison persons

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Jobs filled in Student Development

SLC Press Release—Saint Leo College Vice President for Institutional Advancement, Philip Yurecka, has announced the promotion of two employees to administrative positions in his department. Virginia Cimorelli of Zephyrhills has been promoted to the position of Director of Alumni/Parent Relations and Nancy Pond, also of Zephyrhills, has been promoted to the position of Director of Annual Support Programs.

Virginia Cimorelli currently serves as the Military Education Program Coordinator. As the new Director of Alumni/Parent Relations, her goal is to build up the alumni chapters and parent's programs at SLC. She joined the MEP staff in 1979 and has held progressively responsible positions over the past 11 years. She attended Florida State University for two years and transferred to SLc where she earned her BA in Human Resource Administration and graduated magna cum laude last April. Cimorelli is very active in the SLC Women's Association. She is married to Bruce Cimorelli, a physical education teacher at Zephyrhills High School and they have three children, Brett, 8, Katy, 6 and Jake, 5.

Nancy Pond served as the Administrative Assistant for Development since 1983. As the new Director of Annual Support, she will be responsible for fund raising, direct mail appeals and special gifts to SLC. She joined SLC in 1980 working first in the Business Office and then Educational Services. Pond holds an AA in Liberal Arts from Montgomery Junior College in Takoma Park, Md., and a BA in Human Services from SLC where she graduated cum laude in 1987.

Active in many campus associations, Pond serves as moderator for Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority and is the president of the SLC Women's Association. Pond is married to Curtis Pond who works at the University of South Florida's Medical Center in Plant Operations. Their daughter, Laura, 16, is a junior at Zephyrhills High School.

Student arraigned

By Lisa Desser
News Editor

Former Saint Leo College student Christopher John Osella entered a plea of not guilty to charges of aggravated assault in Pasco County Court on Dec. 7, 1990. On this same date he also demanded a jury trial. His charges were also reduced from a felony to a misdemeanor.

At his arraignment on Nov. 20, 1990, a pretrial date of Dec. 6, 1990 at 1:30 pm was set to determine a change of plea.

Osella was arrested on Fri., Sept. 28, 1990 and charged with aggravated assault. He allegedly, threatened a victim with a knife saying "I'm going to get you." On the police report Osella allegedly admitted that he did have the weapon openly displayed at the time of the incident in Snyder Hall.

SLC student trashes apartment

By Lisa Desser
News Editor

Criminal mischief charges have been filed against SLC student, Sean Barry. Barry was the tenant of an apartment in San Antonio, which was next door to an apartment subject to vandalism, according to police reports and landlord, Mike Govreau.

The Pasco County Sheriff's office offense incident report of Oct. 4, says that the witness observed three unknown persons breaking windows at the vacant apartment next door to the one rented by Barry. Deputy Sylvia Griffin and Sargent Todd Hand both observed clothing throughout the kitchen, and two living room windows that were broken.

Landlord Mike Govreau said that there had been 12 incidents in that same location this past year. According to neighbors and witnesses, Govreau said a toga party was held with about 150 people in a two bedroom apartment, and after another of the alleged incidents 350 beer cans were found at the vacant apartment next door to the one Sean Barry had rented.

Govreau has since filed for insurance to pay for the destruction and no arrests have been made in the case which has been placed on inactive status.

Bowl blow out held

By Michelle Berens
Monarch Staff Writer

Plans were changed for the College Union Board's Bowl Blow Out held on Nov. 9. Originally, the event was to be held at the Bowl. Dinner was supposed to be eaten outside while the ticket numbers that were distributed when people got their dinner were to be called to receive free prizes.

Instead of being at the Bowl, the activity was going to be held by the pool until it became windy and cold. Then it was decided that the band would play in the Cage from 4 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Dinner had been planned to eaten outside at the Bowl, while the band played. "We couldn't get dinner served outside because we reserved it too late," stated John Spinnazola, chairperson of Special Events for CUB.

Spinnazola said that the band, TED, was really good. They played new wave music like The Cure and also their own music.

Only about 30 people showed up for the event. CUB sponsors these activities for the students whose appreciation should be shown by attending the events.

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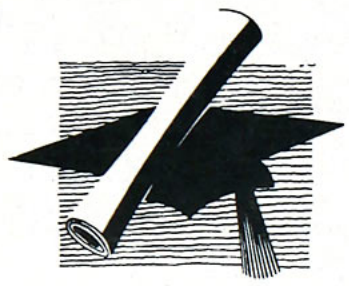
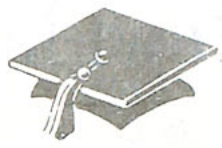


Saint Leo College has named students as graduation candidates for January 1991. There will be a dinner held Thurs. the 5th. The following are expected to receive their bachelor degree.

Danna Aaron from Wesley Chapel, Fla., an elementary education major; **Jackie Banks** from Dade City, Fla., an elementary/early childhood major; **Tammy Banks** from the Cayman Islands, the British West Indies., an elementary/early childhood education major; **Sean Barry** from Longwood, Fla., an administration/marketing major;

Martin Basso from Satsuma Fla., a administration/marketing major; **Philip Bell** from New Port Richey, Fla., a secondary/physical education major; **Laurel Bena** from Minot AFB, N.D., a psychology major; **Allan Beres** from Falls Church, Va., a P.E.-sports management major; **Kurt Birchler** from Baldwinsville, NY., an business administration major,

George Cabral from Bermuda, a administration/management major; **Scott Cameron** from Port Charlotte, Fla., a political science major; **James Carney** from Annadale Va., a criminology major; **Javier Cordova** from Guaynabo, an administration/economics major; **Karen Cuff** from Hudson Fla., a biology major; **Kimberly Dascenzio** from New Port Richey, Fla., a administration/accounting major; **Frank De Rosa from Spring** Hill, Fla., an administration/accounting major;



Charles Doyle for Norwalk, Oh., a restaurant and hotel major; **Robert Farell** from Nanhesset, NY., a p.e.-sports management major; **Frank Fernedez** from San Juan, Puerto Rico, a administration/marketing major; **Michael Flaherty** from Scituate Ma., a criminology major; Lisa Fortinash from Deerfield Beach, Fla., a criminology major; **David Gatz** from Safety Harbor, Fla., a criminology major; **Thomas Gilroy** from Toms River NJ., a political science; **Sheri Wambles** from Dade City, Fla., a special education major; **Samantha Hawley** from Spring Hill, Fla., a criminology major; **Paul Idell** from Berlin, NJ., a p.e. sports management major; **Meridith Ink** from Palm City, Fla., a business/administration major; **April Isaacs** from Zephyrhills, Fla., a English/secondary education major; **Cynthia Johnston** from Dennelon, Fla., a history major;

major; **Kenneth Rowan** from New Smyrna Beach Fla., a criminology major; **John Schlick** from Ft. Myers, Fla., a business major; **Brigid Shea** from Charlotte NC., a administration/marketing major; **Joel Sherman** from Tampa, Fla., a pre-law major; **Timothy Sierra** from Odessa, Fla., a administration/management major; **Michelle Sldan**, from Tampa, Fla., a business major; **Marcelle Sloan** from Tampa, Fla., a business major;

Mary Keane from New Port Richey, Fla., a elementary education major; **Mary Keeley** from New Port Richey, Fla., a elementary education major; **Collin Kuklish** from Trenton, NJ., a p.e. major; **Constantin Kypianides** from New Engoni Nicosia, CY., a administration major; **Debroh Lees** from New Port Richey, Fla., a elementary education major;

Karen Lyons from East Mormalk, CT., a elementary/early childhood major; **Donna Magonry** from Plainview, NY., a sociology major; **Andrew Maloney** from Avon, NY., a criminology major; **David Mazur** from Zephyrhills, Fla., a administration major;

Patrick Poland from Tampa, Fla., a administration/accounting major; **Pierre Pullman** from Zephryhills, Fla., a business major; John Quann from Tampa Fla., a music major; **Anna Maria Roberts** from the Nassau, Bahamas, a international studies

Amy Smith from Sarasota, Fla., a administration/accounting major; **Kevin Walthour** from Marco Island, Fla., a pre-law/political science major; **Esme Watler** from Grand Cayman, BWI., a administration/managements/finance major; **Doris Watson** from Dade City, Fla., a English major;

Katherine Whittaker from the Cayman Islands, a English/secondary education major; **Curt Zimmerman** from Boca Raton, Fla., a biology/chemistry major.

Congratulations to all the December graduates.

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munities of nuns and monks of both the third world and those of the more affluent countries.

During the mass an convocation student leaders assisted and the event was attended by the Board of Trustees, Saint Leo College faculty, school administration, the sisters of the Holy Name Priory, and his Most Reverend John C. Favalora, Bishop of St. Petersburg.

Chittister upon receiving the honor thanked the school and expressed her great admiration for the college. Chittister called for Saint Leo College as a university steeped in Benedictine heritage to return to those roots in teaching the next generation. She called for the graduates of Saint Leo College to be the leaders of the future.

What rights should gays have in society

On the left

By Lisa McColgan
Monarch Staff Writer

By the time my editor had told me what this issue's topic was, it was too late. I'd already heard about it from several other people, some of whom weren't even on the *Monarch* staff. Word travels fast.

Some people asked why we were writing about it. "It's really not that big of an issue," someone said. On the contrary, it is that big of an issue. Because it deals with *discrimination*. As long as anybody is being discriminated against, be it for race, religion, or sexual orientation, this country will never be truly free.

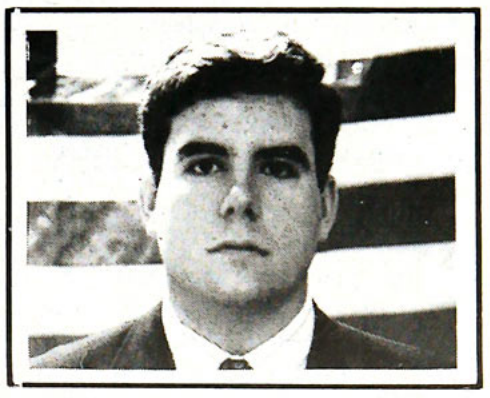
Gay and lesbian rights shouldn't even have to be an issue. However; ultra-conservatives, afraid of anyone or anything "different," have succeeded in instilling the following misconceptions about homosexuality:

1. All homosexuals carry AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome).
2. They're all hell-bent on giving it everyone.
3. They're just waiting to brainwash your children.

Now, this sort of childish, ridiculous attitude has prevented thousands of foster children from receiving love and understanding from people who want to help them. People, because of their sexuality, are automatically deemed unfit to help another human being. It tears families apart. It prevents two people who love each other from sealing their commitment and taking *legal* measures to see that one is provided for should the other die.

Why should homosexuals be denied these rights? I have yet to hear a satisfactory answer. Keep in mind that there is such a thing as separation of church and state, and that religious beliefs hold no bearing. There is simply *no* justifiable reason for this blatant discrimination. And that's all I'm going to say.

On the right



Todd Trumpore
Monarch Staff Writer

In an a decade which has prided itself upon citizens taking a stand on every issue under the sun, regardless of whether it is pertinent or not, many people have shied away from the issue of gay rights. This may or may not have to do with personal biases, but it is an issue which we must all take stock in, especially since we are entering a new decade, and in ten short years, a new century. The spread of AIDS has whipped this country into an almost apocalyptic frenzy, but we must remember that it is not solely a "gay" problem, and that there are other groups at risk including heterosexuals.

Every year, the homosexual community of the United States grows, and as citizens, they are entitled to the same rights and representation as the rest of us. We are living in America, and according to the Declaration of Independence, "...*all* men are created equal." That means, "...regardless of race, creed, color, or personal differences." Part of the beauty of living in these United States is the fact that none of us have to worry about waking up one morning, only to find that we are living under the boot of some repressive system of government. If we would not want to have our freedom repressed, what gives us the right to repress the freedom of our fellow citizens?

Regardless of our personal preferences, we must remember that others have rights besides ourselves, no matter how different their beliefs may be from our own. To deny this, is to oppose everything which this country stands for. Acceptance is the only way this country can progress, and without unity, even the greatest of nations cannot survive.

Campus gays harassed nationwide

(CPS) – Anti-gay fliers, letters and public complaints have appeared at several campuses in recent weeks, frightening some students and earning the head of a College Republicans chapter a reprimand.

"My general sense is that the problem (of anti-gay activism) is getting worse," said Kevin Berrill, director of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force's Campus Project, based in Washington, D.C.

The problem included incidents ranging in seriousness from an anonymous student complaining about a bulletin board to threats of violence chalked on campus sidewalks.

At the University of Illinois, someone papered a dorm with fliers criticizing the amount of gay awareness literature on the hall's bulletin board.

Along the same lines, an Ohio state senator appeared at a meeting of Ohio State University's Board of Trustees to blast OSU's creation of an Office of Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Student Services.

"I guess I'm rather concerned that somehow we're endorsing or encouraging or lending credibility or giving any stature to a gay, homosexual, lesbian organization," Sen. Gary C. Suhadolnik said.

OSU's Board of Trustees has promised a response to Suhadolnik.

Meanwhile, at the University of North Dakota (UND) is Grand Forks, someone wrote anti-homosexual messages in chalk on campus sidewalks, apparently in response to a UND homosexual group's observance of National Coming Out Day on Oct. 11.

The messages were "very negative and had a violent tone," reported Bonnie Clark, spokeswoman for UND's Organization for Alternative Lifestyles (OAL).

Clark said the negative messages showed up after her group had put their own chalk markings around campus in support of homosexuals and National Coming Out Day, when homosexual students traditionally show support for homosexual rights.

A week later the *Dakota Student*, UND's student newspaper, printed a letter from UND College Republicans President Sean LePlant, in which he defended the negative chalking and called homosexuals "irresponsible sexual deviants spreading the Black Plague of the '90's in a careless fashion."

As a result, two Republican nominees for Ohio's legislature asked that LePlant's name be removed from their political ads appearing in the *Dakota Student*.

Berrill thinks the increased hostility is the result of "an explosion in gay and lesbian activism" on college campuses.

"The price of increased visibility is increased vulnerability" to written insults and hate crimes, he added.

In early September, fliers posted around Duke University's library called for students to "rid the university of homosexuals, freaks and commies."

UND's Clark said the furor at her school actually helped her group, drawing attention and support from administrators and other students.

"We've come out okay," Clark said. "I think we're on the other side of it now."

Monarch Movies

By Michelle R. Ronalder
Copy Editor

The opening scenes of John Schlesinger's film *Pacific Heights,* plunge immediately into the brutal confusion and frustration that saturates the movie. Flashes of a blazing sun, rotating fan-blades, beads of sweat that turn to steam as ice is melted along a lover's body instill a feeling of dichotomy within the viewer. The abruptness of *Pacific Heights* is epitomized with one of the opening scenes in which two ruffians barge into a condominium and forcefully tear apart the lovers lying on the bed and beat the man with a baseball bat; the pair leave as suddenly as they come.

A false calmness is present with the turning of focus to another couple. This new couple is young, vivacious, and seemingly innocent. This boyfriend/girlfriend couple is Drake Goodman (Matthew Modine) and Patty Palmer (Melanie Griffith); they have just bought a mansion-style house in hopes of restoring it, letting the downstairs apartments, and making a home for themselves upstairs. They interview several possible tenants, and their situation seems promising until Carter Hayes (Michael Keaton) shows up on their doorstep.

Hayes has the countenance of the high class businessman, and Goodman's initial response is to accept Hayes without reservation. But before Goodman or Palmer can give the ok, Hayes takes it upon himself to move in preceding permission being granted. Hayes then begins a series of activities which cause the lives of the young couple to crumble.

Goodman and Palmer's hands are legally tied; so, the game turns into a duel of animosity with pending death.

Pacific Heights is full of suspense and excitement. The confusion is apparent not only in the despair of the Goodman and Palmer, but it is also evident in the winding and seemingly haphazard music. Additionally, Schlesinger uses a carouselling or spiraling technique to film his characters at points of crucial revelation; the effect on the audience is dizzying which emphasizes the mental frustration of the characters.

Keaton portrays the menacing and merciless Hayes temptingly well (this character is a far cry from the crime-fighting hero Keaton played in *Batman*). Griffith's acting is great; she plays the obviously more level-headed half in the Goodman/Palmer relationship. And she portrays the strong-willed and determined character exactly, yet manages to remain enticingly feminine. Modine acts well the part of the boyfriend pushed over the edge, but his physical appearance just does not fit in with his character.

Pacific Heights contains the frustrating elements to keep the audience involved and the suspense to keep them ever-wary and on the edge of their seat.

Moore or Less.....

By Tim Moore
Advocate of a new order.

Just kill all the turkeys and get it over with. Just toss the guts away and order a burger.

It was here and now it's gone, and what do we have to show for it — indigestion, toothaches, and pounds of refrigerated mold experiments encased in Tupperware and waiting until next spring to be unleashed into the environment?

IT. You remember, the holiday that crops up between Halloween and Christmas like a festering boil that you can't cure. Does anyone still celebrate this pagan bird killing ritual?

Does anyone even remember it exists?

After all, Thanksgiving is only a minor inconvenience between Halloween and Christmas. For those of you who are retail oriented (readers take a breath), Thanksgiving falls somewhere between the time extra trick or treat candy sells at fifty cents a metric ton and Kmart sports their new off-colored, plastic non-flammable Christmas sculptures.

Just remember the last couple of months. The stores carried wonderful orange and black displays of Halloween ceremonial garb, candy, and non-toxic, non-staining, non-returnable fake blood. These displays went up, it seems, in the beginning September.

Then, while new flunky employees tear down the Halloween displays, department store yuppies are busy putting silver foil tinsel clumps over malleable rubber Christmas tree fronds and singing along to endless reels of Jim Nabors' and the Cambridge all castrato choir's famous rendition of "I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus".

But never do we see, during Thanksgiving break, Tommy Turkey displays or Pilgrims dressed up on the street corner. Why is that?

Could it be that the Audubon Society finally knocked off the right people ? Maybe turkeys hold top level positions in major government organizations (not really a wild thought, is it?).

Maybe people just don't pay as much retail dollar for Thanksgiving and so its bigger, money-making brother holidays just shove it aside like so much bad meat.

So, I say its time for a new order, a new group of young, enthusiastic, militaristic turkey-bashers to come into the political limelight. Drums need to be sounded, and then eaten with pride. Lobbying and marketing specialists need to ban together and turn Turkey Day into a national holiday again.

We need a hero, a feather-laden Father Turkey who can compete on the open market with Santa whatshisname and turn Thanksgiving into a commercial glutton of food, folks, and fun.

We need a turkey hero who will demand that Mediterranean country change its name and that turkeys be abolished on the Christmas table. We need a mythology, with a pantheon of money- makers like Rudolph, Frosty, and the Grinch (known affectionately on Wall Street as the BIG THREE).

Maybe an animated turkey on the Simpsons.

Whatever we do, we must help Thanksgiving climb back out of stomachs and into everyone's wallets where it belongs. Thanksgiving deserves its place as a commercial holiday. After all, there could be money to be made.

I'll bet that you are wondering what I ate recently. It wasn't so good...

really.

Three one act plays open

SLC Press Release—A year-long exploration of modern European drama continues Dec. 5-9 at the Saint Leo College Theatre with four one-act plays under the title of *Short Takes: An Evening of 19th Century European One-Act Plays.* The four plays, "The Proposal," by Anton Chekov, "The Stronger" and "Motherlove," by August Strindberg, and "The Tenor" by Frank Wedekind were all written between 1888 and 1897 and will be under the direction of Theatre Director, C. David Frankel.

Anton Chekov's "The Proposal" tells the tale of a courtship that almost ends in disaster between a prospective bride, played by freshman Christine Curtin, and groom, played by junior theatre major David Gilpin, who bicker over a worthless plot of land and a dog. August Strindberg's "The Stronger" is set in a women's cafe on Christmas Eve and focuses on a married actress's meetings with one of her former colleagues. The two women, played by junior theatre majors, Lisa McColgan and Suzen Grieshop, discover that a possible triangular relationship has dominated the married actress's life.

Another play by August Strindberg, "Motherlove," features a young woman, also played by Grieshop, whose relationship with Helene, played by senior theatre major Suzanne Gullion, threatens to pull apart Helene's family life with her mother, played by senior April Dawn Isaacs, and Aunt Augusta, also played by Curtin.

The fourth play, Frank Wedekind's "The Tenor," portrays a Wagnerian tenor, played by Brian L. Swann, who's confronted by his fans who all want something from the tenor, and get something different than expected. The fans are portrayed by Becky Buller, Gilpin and Carolyn Marova.

Short Takes: An Evening of 19th Century European One-Act Plays will be performed at the college theatre nightly Dec. 5-8 at 7:30 p.m. with a matinee on Sun., Dec. 9 at 3 p.m. Cost is $4 for general admission, $3 for senior citizens and non-SLC students. For further information, call (904) 588-8294.

Oratorio to perform Requiem

SLC Press Release—The Saint Leo College Oratorio Society will perform Mozart's "Requiem" on Mon., Dec. 10. The community/college choir and orchestra is under the direction of Daniel Delisi, assistant professor of music at Saint Leo College.

The music of Mozart's "Requiem" is dark work, expressing man's fear of final judgment and was written when Mozart was literally on his deathbed. It is a dramatic composition reflecting a wide range of human emotions: the sorrow of death, fear of judgment, and hope for salvation.

"Requiem" will be performed on campus in the Marion Bowman Activities Center at 7:30 p.m. on Dec. 10. Tickets are $4 for general admission, $3 for senior citizens and non-SLC students. For further information, please call (904) 588-8294.

Women's basketball opens season

By Don Jensen
Tampa Tribune Staff Writer

There's a new sorority on the Saint Leo College campus this year. Just call it the Fun Bunch.

The Fun Bunch can run and handle the basketball. It's also the "best group of players" John Swart, coach of women's basketball, says he's had in his eight years as the women's basketball coach.

"These players are a lot of fun to be around," said Swart. "They'll scrap and dive for loose balls. They just love to play basketball."

Saint Leo fans will need a program to recognize the team, which has only two returnees on its 10-player roster. The Monarchs will be smaller, but quicker.

Swart is eager to get the season started. Last year, Swart suffered through his worst season as the Monarchs went 4-21 overall and 1-11 in the Sunshine State Conference.

There was one common denominator in most of those defeats: turnovers being converted into easy points by the opposition. Last year, SLC gave up an average of 83.6 points and committed 25.4 turnovers a game, and three of its opponents scored at least 107 points.

"The two areas that killed us was defense and not being able to protect the basketball," Swart said. "After the season, I recruited players with those things in mind."

Swart also has had to adjust to life without graduated center Tonya Dix, an SSC first-team selection who finished her career as SLC's all-time leader in scoring (1,550) and rebounding (750).

"I'd love to have Tonya with this group," Swart said.

Sophomore Daphne Washington a 5 foot-10 center from Lakeland, is the lone returning starter. Last year, Washington was second on the team in scoring (14.7)and second in rebounding (6.8). She was chosen to the SSC's all-freshman team.

"Daphne is a physically strong player," Swart said.

Washington is expected to be joined in the starting lineup by Denine Brunoforte and Betty White, a pair 5-5 junior guards, and 5-8 junior forward-center Melissa Knight.

Brunoforte, a native of Port Richey and former standout at Ridgewood High, played the past two seasons at South Florida Community College, where she was selected to compete in the Florida Junior College All-Star Game last year.

White is the product of Enterprise (Ala.) Community College. A two-year starter, White shot 55 percent from the field and 61 percent from the foul line.

"We'll be looking for Denine and Betty to run our offense," Swart said. "They both have a good shooting touch and are hard workers."

"Melissa is kind of deceptive and has excellent low-post moves."

Melissa Olin, a 5-6 freshman guard-forward, was expected to be the starter. But a foot stress fracture will keep the former Class 1A all-state player from Sarasota Christian out of the lineup for a while.

"It's a shame because she's been a pleasant surprise," Swart said. "She's always in perpetual motion."

Marnie Wiegman, a 5-5 sophomore guard from New Port Richey, is the other returning player. Last year, Wiegman was a part-time starter and averaged 6.9 points.

"Marnie's shooting with much more confidence," Swart said.

The rest of the squad includes 5-7 senior guard Bernadette Calcaslo, 6-0 senior center Christina Gibbs, 5-8 freshman forward Kelly McCamy and 6-0 freshman center Jeannine Vlasak.

"Bernadette has good quickness and is an aggressive defensive player," Swart said. "Kelly and Jeannine also have fine speed Christina has good size and will give us depth inside."

"Because we won't be big inside, rebounding could be a problem. So the thing we're stressing is to initiate a lot of our offense off our defense. That should allow us to get more of an advantage on the boards."

With Denine, Betty and Melissa, we've got three excellent shooters from three-point range That should help, too."

Erin Connor, a 5-3 sophomore guard, is sitting out the season because of a knee injury, said Swart, who has an assistant coach for the first time in Jim Ward.

"I think the people who come out to watch us play won't be disappointed," Swart said. "We've got a bunch of gamers who like to play the game. We've got two girls on the team for Pasco County and couple of others from the area."

"The conference will be tough again with teams like Rollins Florida Institute of Technology Tampa and Florida Southern. But that's nothing new."

One change this season is that all seven conference teams will compete in the SSC tournament Feb. 27-March 1. The Monarchs first conference game was Dec. against Barry University.

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ing illegal drugs, only customers at bars were arrested. Club 39 was not closed down, but the liquor license may be suspended.

The fifth bar where an arrest had been made was the Valencia Restaurant and Lounge in Dade City. A man was accused of and arrested for selling cocaine to an undercover detective. "...the Sheriff's office has not decided what action, if any, to take against the Valencia owners." (*Tampa Tribune,* Nov. 1).

"This is the first time bars in Pasco have been closed down because of drug sales," Sheriff Jim Gillum stated. (*Tampa Tribune,* Oct. 30). "At issue is whether the bar owners knew drug trafficking was going on." (*Pasco News,* Nov. 2).

"Undercover detectives and alcohol control agents bought..." illegal drugs "...from customers over a two month period. The drug buys were small, ranging from $10 to $80, according to arrest reports." (*Tampa Tribune,* Oct. 30). There are still arrest warrants out for several more people.

When asked if Red, the manager of The Keg, felt threatened by the situation of people being busted at bars for selling drugs, he stated, "I don't have that problem here. They're (law enforcement) just using a public place to harass people. Just because this is a bar, they come in here and do as they damn well please..." "You don't see them going to gas stations and arresting them (owners and customers)." Red's reply to if thinks drugs are being sold at his bar was, "I don't think so. I'm reasonably sure there's a little bit floating around. But they (customers) know that I don't like it and my wife doesn't like it...." He feels that if people want to deal drugs they can "go out in the woods". Red also says, "At the Quaker, people who got busted out there had it coming. If they have it in their pockets, they're guilty."

The manager of S & F Liquors says she doesn't really feel threatened "because I don't have anything to do with it, so I don't see why it should threaten me." She also doesn't think drugs are being sold in the S & F.

The manager at Jackie's Pub says, "I'm not in agreement with drugs, but I think the situations are a little extreme."

If the possessing and dealing of drugs in bars doesn't cease, more bars will be closed down and/or owners will get their liquor licenses suspended.

Drugs have become a big problem in Pasco County, as in many other counties; and if nothing is done to prevent the circulation of these drugs. various social gathering places, such as bars will go to ruin.

From Corner p. 2

for each of its committees. Note that, if the Board should make decisions that are unrealistic, the administrators are put in the worst position, since we have to carry them out. Therefore, it is in our best interest also that the Board be well informed before taking formal action.

A final question: should there not be representatives of the student body and faculty on the Board? There are both theoretical and practical reasons for saying no. It is customary for the vice presidents to sit in on Board discussions, so that they can provide any needed data immediately. The president of the college is an ex-officio member of the Board, but I do not have a vote. This is to prevent me--and the same would apply to a student or faculty member--from voting for his/her own interest as opposed to the good of the institution.

A final thought: boards need assistance in carrying out their responsibilities just as any other group does. To help meet this need, SLC's Board spent the afternoon of Nov. 16 evaluating with the assistance of an experienced mentor from the national Association of Governing Boards its own effectiveness. Each trustee has completed a self-study survey and was part of the assessment. Boardmanship is not just a matter of making decisions; rather, it is a process of learning about the institution, studying issues, making judgments about the good of the school and formulating policy. Not an easy job, this being a trustee, and all of the Board members work without remuneration. They make a very valuable contribution to the college and good of us all.

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